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Subject: Comment for Coal Hollow Project C/025/0005.

I would like to post my support for the Coal Hollow Project near Alton Utah. I feel that approval of the mine would be in the best interest of the local communities of Southern Utah. The mine would directly provide hundreds of well paying jobs for the people of Southern Utah, and would indirectly provide jobs for hundreds more as they offer support and services to the mine. This would improve the economy and the lives of those living closest to the mine and also for those on the truck route on Highway 89.

I understand that this will be a strip mining operation and that the impact will be minimal to the environment because of the reclamation that Alton Coal has agreed to. Harvesting the mineral resources in a responsible fashion will provide a positive boost to our local economy. As farming and ranching have decreased over the last 40 years in the area this will give incentive for the young people from those communities to stay there and work and occupy the same land their ancestors did. They will not have to leave and move away to find suitable work so they can raise their families. The miners will be well paid. Real Estate values will rise, more money will be pumped in to the local economies, resalers will sell more goods. The surrounding municipalities will see an increase in tax revenues, and they in turn will put that money into projects for other local contractors.

This mine would be a welcome addition to the area and I support it.

Sincerely,

Kameron Kershaw

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